

K-15  
+  
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K-15 111-113 Water Street

c. 1880

Chestertown

private

A late 19th century brick double house/ investment property <sup>which was built for</sup> ~~by~~ Ben F. Fleming, then residing in the Esau Watkins House (K-10) next door, this building has little to recommend it as architecture. It is a combination of various early 19th century stylistic features.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

111-113 Water Street

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Kent

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

— DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

— STRUCTURE

— SITE

— OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

— PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

— BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

— IN PROCESS

— BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

— UNOCCUPIED

— WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

— YES: RESTRICTED

— YES: UNRESTRICTED

— NO

#### PRESENT USE

— AGRICULTURE

— COMMERCIAL

— EDUCATIONAL

— ENTERTAINMENT

— GOVERNMENT

— INDUSTRIAL

— MILITARY

— MUSEUM

— PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

— RELIGIOUS

— SCIENTIFIC

— TRANSPORTATION

☒ OTHER: apts

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

111: Mabel M. Deringer 113: Ellen F. Richards

Telephone #: 778-3222

STREET & NUMBER

same as above

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21620

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk's Office

111: EHP 38 379  
 Liber #: 113: EHP 50 138  
 Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Kent County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Maryland

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

none

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

111-113 Water Street is a double house between the Perkins House and the Esau Watkins house on the southeast (river) side of Water Street in Chestertown. It occupies the northeast half of Water Lot 11.

It is three stories high with an "A" roof. ~~It is of no distinct style but reflects the general nineteenth century preference for high flat facades in town houses; see 107, 105, and 103 on down the block. Each half of the building is two bays wide and two deep. There are enclosed entrance porches in the outer bays with flat roofs. The windows on the first and second stories of the facade and of the north gable end have prominent flat limestone or plaster arches with keystones, presumably in imitation of those on River House (107 Water Street) two houses down the street.~~

The house sits on a brick basement. All brickwork is laid in common bond. The entrance porches have square columns in the corners and have been enclosed on *two sides*, the outside and front, with full-length mullioned glass. They are entered from the open sides which have glass doors facing each other.

The first story windows are unusually wide and have 12/1 sash; the four second story windows are 2/2 and the four third story windows are 2/2. The windows decrease in size from the first to the third stories. \* There is a shallow modillioned cornice. The roof is metal simulated shingle sheet, ~~and~~ There are two central chimneys.

*\* all have lowered shutters.*

(left)

The north gable end has one window on each story in the right bay, each matching its corresponding window on the facade: the first story window is 12/1 with arch and keystone, the second story window is 2/2 with arch and keystone, and the third story window is 2/2. The remainder of the gable end is covered about 2/3 of the way <sup>up</sup> from the ground — with a ~~small~~ frame addition which abuts an addition of the same sort on 115 Water Street, its immediate neighbor. The south gable end has a door and window on the first story (the window is 6/6).

*all three windows have lowered shutters.*

There are two windows on the second story (2/2) and one on the third (2/2 and smaller). All windows have lowered shutters.

There is a 2-story addition on the rear of the building in two continuous parts, the first brick and the second frame.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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## PERIOD

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		Water Street history.

## SPECIFIC DATES

1890-1893

## BUILDER/ARCHITECT

unknown

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This double house is one of the three late nineteenth century buildings on the river side of this block of Water Street. It was built for Ben F. Fleming between 1890 and 1893, presumably as some sort of investment; Fleming was living next door in 109 Water Street at the time. Its interest is mainly to those ~~xxxxxx~~ curious about the history of property transfer and property development on Water Street.

The property it occupies is the northeast half of Water Lot 11. Fleming bought all of the lot in 1880--with 109 Water on the southwest half--for \$1000. He then had 111-113 built and sold it off in 1885 for \$4000 to Thomas S. Bordely, keeping 109 for himself. Bordely split the double house in 1885, selling 111 to Hope E. Barroll and 113 to Margaret H. Meeteer, widow of William Meeteer. For the next fifteen years or so, both halves of the house were in the Barroll family, and then the ownership divided again for good.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION :** Beginning on the southeast side of Front Street at the corner of a lot ~~in~~ now owned and occupied by Eben F. Perkins (115 Water); thence running in a southwesterly direction by and with the said southeast side of Front Street, 46 feet, 9 inches to the line of a lot owned by the said B.F. Fleming (109 Water); thence at right angles to said street, by and with said Fleming lot in a southeasterly direction as far as Lot 11 extends; thence in a northeasterly direction 46 feet, 9 inches ~~in~~ to the line of said Perkins lot; thence by and with said lot by a northwesterly course to the place of beginning.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Robert Neill Historic Site Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Town of Chestertown

DATE

March, 1986

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE


CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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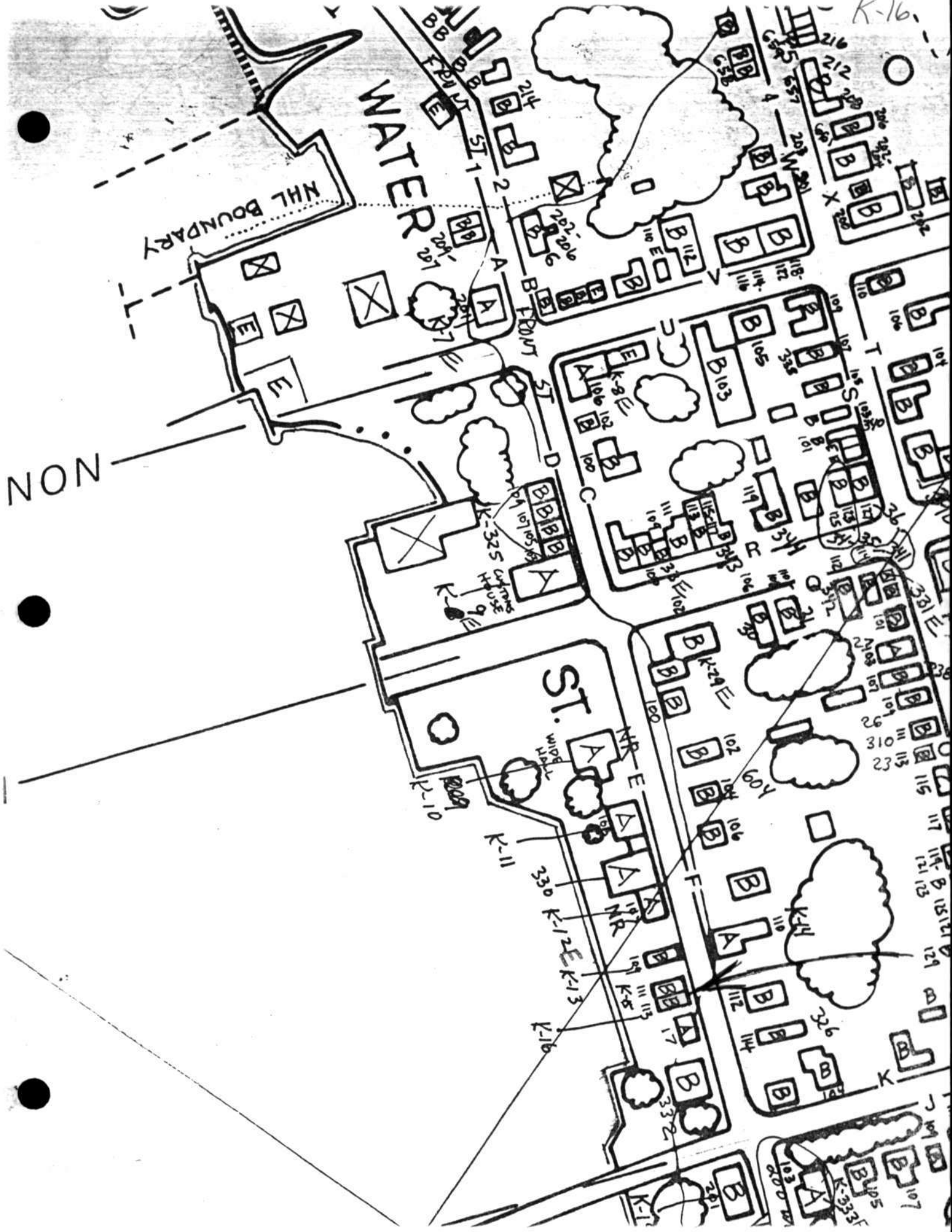
1. STATE <b>Maryland</b> COUNTY <b>Kent</b> TOWN <b>Chestertown</b> VICINITY STREET NO. <b>113 Water Street</b>  ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE <b>dwelling</b> PRESENT OWNER <b>L. Rhoderick Black-</b> PRESENT USE <b>dwelling /hurst</b> WALL CONSTRUCTION <b>brick</b> NO. OF STORIES <b>3</b>		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <b>K-16</b>	
		2. NAME  DATE OR PERIOD <b>1830-40</b> STYLE <b>Federal</b> ARCHITECT BUILDER	
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION  <div style="text-align: center;">(See 111 Water Street #K-15)</div>		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE  OPEN TO PUBLIC <b>NO</b>	
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE    Endangered                      Interior                      Exterior <b>GOOD</b>			
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional) 		7. PHOTOGRAPH <div style="text-align: center;">(See K-15)</div>	
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER <b>Michael O. Bourne</b> <b>Maryland Historical Trust</b> <b>P. O. Box 1704</b> <b>Annapolis, Md. 21404</b> DATE OF RECORD <b>Feb. 8, 1968</b>	

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A hand-drawn map of a residential area. The map shows several streets: "ST. 1" at the top, "ST. 2" below it, "ST. 3" further down, and "ST. 4" at the bottom. A "WATER" feature is labeled on the left side. A "NHL Boundary" is indicated by a dashed line on the far left. The map is filled with numerous small rectangular buildings, many of which are labeled with letters (A, B, C, D, E, F) and numbers (e.g., 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200). Some buildings are labeled with "K-1", "K-2", "K-3", "K-4", "K-5", "K-6", "K-7", "K-8", "K-9", "K-10", "K-11", "K-12", "K-13", "K-14", "K-15", "K-16", "K-17", "K-18", "K-19", "K-20", "K-21", "K-22", "K-23", "K-24", "K-25", "K-26", "K-27", "K-28", "K-29", "K-30", "K-31", "K-32", "K-33", "K-34", "K-35", "K-36", "K-37", "K-38", "K-39", "K-40", "K-41", "K-42", "K-43", "K-44", "K-45", "K-46", "K-47", "K-48", "K-49", "K-50". There are also trees and other landmarks drawn on the map. The map is oriented with "ST. 1" at the top and "ST. 4" at the bottom. The "WATER" feature is on the left. The "NHL Boundary" is on the far left. The map is labeled "K-16" in the top right corner.

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CEMETERY

VITA FOODS

FOODS  
(NEW)  
FARM

COUNTY

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

KENT

LYNCHBURG

POPLAR RD.

STREET

STREET

STREET

KENT

STREET

MT. VERNON

WASHINGTON

U.S. 213

MILL

CALVERT

STREET

SPRING ST.

CROSS

ROW

STREET

PHILOSOPHERS

TERRACE

BYFORD DRIVE

WALDO DRIVE

DAVID DRIVE

BARROLL DRIVE

TWILLEY LANE  
QUEEN

PARK COURT ST.

CHURCH ST.

AVENUE

STREET

BYFORD COURT

WATER CANNON

HIGH

STREET

MAPLE

RIVERSIDE TERRACE

K-15

U.S. 213

Chester

River

MORGNEC

STREET

ELM STREET

GREENWOOD VALLEY

PINE

CEDAR

SCHOOL

BROWN VIEW RD.

STREET

SCHOOL STREET

SCHOOL AVENUE

STREET

MORRIS

K-15 & K-16  
111-113 Water St.  
Chestertown  
Chestertown Quad.  
Kent County





K 15-16 111-113 Water S

1/77 W & S





K 15+16 111-113 Water S.

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